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COVID-19 UPDATE

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- Since Wednesday, two residents have tested positive for COVID-19: The number of people in the City who have tested positive for COVID-19 is 1,776. With 1,572 recovered and 119 fatalities. Framingham currently has 85 active cases. The Framingham Health Department contacts the people who were potentially exposed and the owners of the businesses or places of employment where the potential exposures occurred to inform and counsel them on next steps (contact tracing). In addition to the active cases, the Health Department is following 69 residents in quarantine.
- Community Hour Tuesday, July 28, at 5 p.m., focused on the pledge to take action, addressing systemic racism in our communities: Mayor Yvonne M. Spicer will be joined by the Newton Mayor Ruthanne Fuller, and Ashland Town Manager Michael Herbert to discuss what the communities are doing to address systemic racism. All past Community Hours, including those on racism, can be found here. Resources for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion can be found <a href=here. Attendees will be able to pose questions/comments during the hour via the chat function. If people cannot attend and have questions, please email <a href=here kmcfalls@framinghamma.gov with the subject line: July 28 Community Hour. Click <a href=here for information on how to join. Zoom information is forthcoming. A video recording of the Zoom will be available following for those who cannot attend.
- The Framingham Parks & Recreation Department to cancel Summer concert series due to COVID-19: The Department regretfully announces the cancellation of its Summer concert series due to the COVID-19 pandemic. After consulting with the Health Department, the Parks & Recreation Department recognizes it is unable to offer concerts safely at this time. Even though there is a fondness for this longstanding tradition, the Department holds the safety of the Framingham community as its number one priority. Although the Governor has moved the State into Phase 3, restrictions to large gatherings remain in effect. The Department will continue to monitor public health guidance and explore options for small-scale, limited community events during the Fall. They would like to thank sponsors ADESA, Bernardi Auto, Metro West Credit Union, Framingham Cultural Council, and Mutual One for standing strong with them during these challenging times.